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Disposal of Waste
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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a national plan under the consideration of the Government for disposal of human waste and waste water from new toilets under the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM); and

(b) the amount of funds spent on the implementation of the scheme for disposal of waste during 2014-15 and 2015-16?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)

(a) Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) was launched by the Government of India providing basic services (e.g. water supply, sewerage, urban transport) to households and build amenities in cities. The component of faecal sludge management is an eligible component under the mission.
National Policy on Faecal Sludge and Septage Management (FSSM) was released by MoUD which seeks to address the efficiency of systems in place for onsite sanitation whereof the faecal sludge output needs to be managed in an environmentally safe manner including the proper engineering design, construction and maintenance of septic tank systems, pit latrines and such other systems generating faecal sludge.
The mandate of Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation is rural sanitation, for which Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) has been launched. The Mission is a comprehensive programme to ensure sanitation facilities in rural areas with the main objective of eradicating the practice of open defecation and ensuring clean environment. Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) is one of the integral components of SBM(G) and under Liquid Waste Management, activities like low cost drainage, soakage channels/ pits, waste stabilization ponds system, reuse of waste water etc. can be taken up. Depending upon the amount of waste water generated, the State can choose the type of liquid waste management facility they wish to create. Funds for Solid and Liquid Waste Management activities with a cap of Rs. 7/12/15/20 lakh are available for Gram Panchayats having upto 150/300/500/ more than 500 households.
Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), measures are taken to prevent open defecation and to provide safe disposal of human excreta. This can be done through on-site toilet technologies such as twin-leach pit that do not require underground sewerage system and are much cheaper and equally effective. The choice of technology lies with the end-user, as long as it ensures safe disposal of human excreta.

(b) Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), central share spent under Solid and Liquid Waste Management during 2014-15 and 2015-16 are Rs.37.48 crore and Rs. 43.11 crore respectively. And Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban), central share spent under Solid Waste Management during 2014-15 and 2015-16 are Rs.287.5 crore and Rs. 225.25 crore respectively.